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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

With this letter and pursuant to the authority delegated to me, I approve the following Amendment of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) 2004/05-2009/10 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP):

<u>No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
4	<b>State, Local and Transit Elements</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Adds, modifies or deletes various projects with various funding in Los Angeles and Orange counties. See enclosure and the exclusions listed below.</li></ul>

I am also recommending that the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration approve this FTIP amendment for inclusion into California's 2004/05-2006/07 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). Projects included in this FTIP in fiscal years not within the three-year cycle of the current FSTIP are not approved as part of this FTIP Amendment and are shown for information only.

The SCAG region has not yet aligned its FTIP with the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) adopted by the California Transportation Commission (CTC) in August 2004. Also SCAG has not adjusted the Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation Program (HBRRP) per the revised listing transmitted to the SCAG on November 22, 2004. Therefore, and in accordance with the federal approval letter of the 2004 FSTIP dated October 4, 2004 the following Transportation Enhancement (TE) projects and HBRR projects are excluded from this approval;

Project ID; LA996275, LA974100, LA0B7326, LA0C8163, LA0B414, 46508,  
LA002738, LA0C8164, LA0C8209, LA996203, LA974129,  
LA0D143, LA0D144, LA0C8, LA0D279, LA0B7322, LA0C8161

The updated programming is for project types that have been found by the SCAG to conform to applicable air quality regulations. This FTIP amendment is consistent with the State Implementation Plan. The financial impacts of the amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis.

In accordance with existing law, public involvement procedures are a part of the project selection process. The SCAG prepared this FTIP amendment under that process permitting citizens, affected local agencies, other public agencies, and other interested parties reasonable opportunity for comment.

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Muhaned Aljabiry of my staff, at (916) 654-3521.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ross A. Chittenden", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

ROSS A. CHITTENDEN

Chief

Division of Transportation Programming

Enclosures

- c: Steven Barhite - EPA Office of Air Planning (w/enclosure)  
John C. Cox - Southern California Association of Governments  
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